

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
July 1, 2019**

A regular meeting of the La Salle City Council of La Salle, Illinois was held Monday, July 1, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Grove presiding with proper notice being duly and continuously posted.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present- Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

Absent: Aldermen Herndon

A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file minutes of the June 17, 2019 Regular City Council meeting. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

PETITIONS

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Crane to grant the request of Ameren Illinois to break ground at 372 Carlene Drive to install electric and gas service and at 376 Carlene Drive to install gas service and permanent underground electric. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: Alderman Lavieri

Motion Carried 7-0

Alderman Lavieri abstained because he has an ownership interest within TIF IV.

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and donate \$250 to Cops 4 Cancer.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and deny the request from the Voluntary Action Center (Meals on Wheels) for a monetary donation to remain consistent with current giving practices. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Demes to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and grant the request of Patti Hall, owner of Rudy's Liquors, Inc. located at 285 Chartres Street for a Redevelopment Incentive Program grant totaling \$12,500. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Ptak to refer the requests of Linda Schillaci, resident of 1934 Crosat Street for a 4 way stop at Grant Avenue and Crosat Street and a 3 way stop at N. Tonti and Grant Avenue to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Ptak to refer the request of Jennifer Gende, resident of 1527 Tonti Street to install a speed bump in front of her residence to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Bacidore inquired if it would be possible to rescind the speed bump that was approved for the 2000 Block of La Harpe several weeks ago, as he believes it sets a precedent. Attorney McPhedran stated that the council has the right to reconsider or rescind the decision, especially if the committee or council feels it sets a precedent. He added that the topic could be considered by the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee and then voted on by the full council.

It was moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to refer the request to rescind the speed bump previously granted in the 2000 Block of LaHarpe Street to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Bacidore announced the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee will meet on July 15, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. to consider the above petitions.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to grant the request of Edward Jakse to break curb for a driveway at 511 Grant Avenue. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Bacidore inquired as to the reasons why the following requests for rooftop solar panels arrays need City approval. Attorney McPhedran stated that the solar arrays are an unusual and unique type of use and could potentially have an esthetic effect on of the neighborhood. He continued by explaining that the current Zoning Ordinance does not address this type of use specifically, however the City will be looking to amend the Zoning Ordinance in the future to address these types of uses. However, there are provisions in the current ordinance that dictate this process since it is an unusual use. He stated that even though these solar panels are on private property, zoning rules and regulations must be met and by going through the hearing process it provides neighbors and the public an opportunity to comment on the development prior to a decision being made.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Jeppson to refer the request of Jeremy Vavrik of Fresh Coast Solar on behalf of Edward Monroe for a Special Use Permit to install a 31.98 kW rooftop solar PV array at 2424 Chartres Street (Contemporary Dental, LLC) to the Planning Commission. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Demes to refer the request of Jeremy Vavrik of Fresh Coast Solar on behalf of Edward Monroe for a Special Use Permit to install a

12.48kW rooftop solar PV array at 18 Oak Ridge Drive to the Planning Commission. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Lavieri inquired if there are restrictive covenants in this subdivision that would prevent the installation of the solar panels. City Engineer Brown stated that he will look into this.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept and place on file the Monthly Police Income Report for May 2019 totaling \$6,092.91. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Brown read a thank you from the University of Illinois Extension. It was moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that the communication is accepted and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Ptak to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee to deny the request from Melissa Schillaci for a stop sign northbound and southbound on Hennepin Street and Sixth Street.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee to grant the request from William Bradford for a handicapped parking sign in front of 832-9th Street for a period of two years.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee to grant the request for a "Blind Person in Area" sign on the east side of the alley located between 4th and 5th Streets between Chartres and Creve Coeur.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee to install "No Parking Here to Corner" two parking places on the south side of O'Connor off Crosat Street.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

OLD BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Crane and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to authorize, pay, and place on file Invoice #7549-PV to Pipe Vision Products totaling \$9,500 for the lining of a failing 21' sewer under Roosevelt Road and performing manhole repairs on Roosevelt Road between Sobieski and Tonti Streets. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

Alderman Bacidore expressed concern about the continuing issue of mattresses not being picked up by Republic Services if they are not wrapped in plastic. Alderman Bacidore suggested that the garbage haulers put their rain gear on to protect themselves. Mayor Grove stated that there have been issues with bedbugs and Republic is trying to improve their processes for their people. Mayor Grove stated that this is an issue that can be addressed when the garbage contract is negotiated in the future.

In continuance of discussions that began at the last City Council meeting, it was moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to hold a meeting of the Building Codes Committee on July 15, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the current Vacant Building Ordinance, Ordinance 2479.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Grove thanked all involved with Celebrate La Salle including LPAC members, Beth and Mike Ketter, Alderman Demes for the 50/50, Jeff Bumgarner and the Public Works staff, Police and Fire Departments and downtown business owners. He stated that it was a great turn out and the weather cooperated. Mayor Grove stated that he received many positive comments from the carnival company, positive comments about the fireworks and the event in general. He also thanked our major corporate sponsor Illinois Valley Community Hospital and other donors including the News Tribune, Eureka Savings Bank and La Salle State Bank. Celebrate La Salle will be June 25-28, 2020.

Alderman Demes thanked the Streets Department and the Police Department for their assistance with the car show. The total 50/50 winnings was \$6,240 and was won by Shannon Bartley. Alderman Lavieri stated that the Kid's Fishing event hosted 137 children. He thanked the Police Department and the Better Fishing Association for their efforts.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Crane stated that he has been getting some complaints about the number of newspapers left which then litter the streets and yards. Mayor Grove stated that he will pass along the concerns to the News Tribune.

BIDS

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Ptak to award the low bid of \$670,835.07 to Universal Asphalt & Excavating, Inc. for the 2019 MFT & Non-MFT Program. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane

NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

**BIDS: Universal Asphalt &
Excavating, Inc. \$670,835.07**

Advanced Asphalt Company
\$788,562.37

Moved by Alderman Crane and seconded by Alderman Lavieri to award the low bid of \$60,754.40 to John Pohar and Sons for the 2019 Drainage behind 17-19 Oak Ridge Drive Project and related matters. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane
 NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

BIDS: John Pohar & Sons, Inc.
\$60,754.40
Universal Asphalt & Excavating,
Inc. \$64,789

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to approve and place on file **Ordinance 2820:** An Ordinance Amending La Salle City Code, Title XI, Chapter 113, Section 113.03 relating to Regulating the Sale of Cigarettes. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane
 NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

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Sale of Cigarettes.

COMMENTS

Mr. Philip Garbe, resident of 754 4th Street, thanked the council for the repairs recently completed on Fourth Street near St. Patrick's church. Mayor Grove thanked Mr. Garbe for taking the time to come and pass along his appreciation.

Mayor Grove recognized the AX Church and the many volunteers who donated numerous hours during Hope Week. Mayor Grove continued by saying that the AX Church has been a good partner to the City and assists with events such as Hometown Halloween and Miracle on First Street. They have done many projects in our parks and throughout the City of La Salle, as well as other cities such as Peru, Oglesby and Spring Valley.

Mayor Grove wished everyone a safe 4th of July and asked residents to be respectful of their neighbors.

Alderman Ptak thanked the public works department for their efforts repairing a recent water line break at his property. He stated that he was very impressed with our staff and their professionalism. Mayor Grove asked Superintendent Bumgarner to pass these comments along.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that bills Total Submitted: \$561,043.90 (Total Payroll \$171,818.82, Bills to be Paid \$49,780.80, Total Bills Paid \$339,444.28) be accepted, paid and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Reynolds, Lavieri, Jeppson, Crane
 NAY: None Absent: Alderman Herndon Abstain: None

Motion Carried 7-0

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Demes to adjourn the meeting.
Voice vote, all ayes. Motion is carried.

ADJOURNED 7:08 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carrie Brown".

Carrie Brown, City Clerk